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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJ: MINUTES OF THE RESEARCH BOARD MEETING

1. The Research Board Meeting commenced at 1400, 29 Jul 99, Ha-204. Following is a list of attendees:

Dean Netzer	Code 09	<u>Not in attendance:</u>	
Danielle Kuska	Code 91		
Judy Joyce	Code 91Jj	Professor Thornton	OC
Professor Biblarz	AA	Professor Davidson	MR
Professor Rowe	CS		
Professor McEachen(for M. Tummala)	EC		
Professor Borges	MA		
Professor Kwon	ME		
Professor Wirtz	NS		
Professor Wood	OR		
Professor Baker	PH		
Professor Eitelberg	SM		
Professor Eagle	GP		
Professor Weitzman	Faculty Council Rep		
Professor M. Rasmussen	Faculty Council Rep		

2. IT-21/Computer Needs for Research that should or should not be included in the CA Study Proposal was the first discussion item. This discussion was in reference to the memo that Professor Fouts, as a member of the CA Study Team, sent to all faculty asking for input on the level and type of service that researchers require. Dean Netzer asked that the Research Board Members poll their department faculty and get input back to Professor Fouts if they had not already done so.

3. The timeline for implementation of the proposed Centralized Research Accounting (**09 was told that centralization was the only option**) was next on the agenda. Discussion as to why this change has been proposed were pointed out; a lack of timely, accurate financial information for Principal Investigators, inconsistency of processes and level of service within departments, the number of accounts in the red, and current and potential Commercial Activity (CA) studies and budget cuts. Business practices between the Comptroller, Research Office and Academic Departments must become more efficient and effective. Danielle told the Board about the Department Online Reporting System (DORS) that the Comptroller's Office will implement on 1 October where the Departments/PIs will have electronic access to current and user friendly reports. **Subsequent to the Research Board meeting further discussions occurred with the**

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Department/ Group Chairs and the Deans. This has resulted in rescission of the centralization directive given to 09. The agreed upon process that will be utilized at the beginning of FY00 will be decentralized (in Dept./Groups as currently done) but with one common research accounting procedure. Future discussions will examine the centralization issue further.

4. The corrections to the NIFR Performance Summary will be distributed to the Board members as well as the comments on the Research Center renewal reviews.
5. The Board Members were reminded that if their departments have a need for scientific equipment to support research, a research equipment recapitalization proposal should be submitted.
6. Dean Netzer passed out a paper describing a potential patent from Professor Fouts of the EC Department. A discussion followed as to whether or not the School should go to an outside consultant to determine if the proposed patent is of interest to the Navy. The Boards' recommendation for all faculty-generated patents was to file them and then consider marketing potential at the time the patent is renewed.
7. It was suggested through channels to the Dean of Research, that the School put on a premier conference with full proceedings each year to give NPS greater visibility. There was a suggestion by Professor Eagle that one approach might be that the School augment two or three conferences that are already held here.
8. Meeting adjourned at approximately 1530.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Joyce
Recording Secretary

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